IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

TUESDAY, THE 2ND JANUARY 2007 / 12TH POUSHA, 1928

Crl.MC.No. 4006 of 2006()

CC.153/1982 of CHIEF JUDL.MAGISTRATE, ERNAKULAM

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PETITIONER: ACCUSED

V. RAVEENDRAN NAIR,
S/O.VELUKUTTY PILLAI,
T.C.28/208, SREEKANDESWARAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.S.GOPAKUMARAN NAIR

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA,
REP. BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA.

BY P.P. SRI.GIKKU JACOB.

THIS CRIMINAL MISC. CASE HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 02/01/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R. BASANT, J.

CRL.M.C.NO. 4006 OF 2006

Dated this the 2nd day of January, 2007

ORDER

I have perused the report of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that the case against him – C.C.No.153/82 in which all steps are complete is continuing to be pending unnecessarily without pronouncement of orders. The report of the learned Magistrate shows that the matter stands posted for hearing and no hearing is taking place ever since the present incumbent took charge of the court on 9/3/06. The learned Magistrate wants the matter to be heard afresh. According to the learned Magistrate, the accused persons are not getting ready for hearing. I am satisfied, in these circumstances, that specific direction can be issued to the learned Magistrate to dispose of the case as expeditiously as possible – at any rate, within a period of three months from the date on which a copy of this order is placed before the learned Magistrate.

3. The petitioner shall be released on bail on condition

that he executes a fresh bond for Rs.25,000/- with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate. The condition to deposit an amount of Rs.5,000/- need not be insisted by the learned Magistrate. The personal presence of the petitioner need not be insisted now as the matter stands posted for arguments only. The learned Magistrate shall report compliance to this Court.

4. Hand over a copy of this order to the learned counsel for the petitioner for production before the learned Magistrate.

Sd/-

(R. BASANT, JUDGE)

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P.S. to Judge